be constituted for the purpose of dealing with the audit and appropriation accounts of the Province and such other matters as the Finance Department may refer to the Committee '. This Council has to elect seven Members of the Committee and when it is done three Members are nominated by His Excellency the Governor. Unless the Members appointed by the Council are known before the end of the financial year it will not be possible for His Excellency the Governor to constitute the Committee until the next meeting of the Council in the following year."

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" I second the motion."

The question was put and adopted.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" It now remains for me to lay down the method by which the election is to be held. I would suggest that hon. Members hand in nominations to the Secretary before 2 p.m. to-morrow (14th). If the number of nominated candidates exceeds seven, an election will be held on the 15th between 1–30 and 2–30 p.m. The election will be according to the method of single transferable vote. The ballot papers can be obtained from the Secretary and should be deposited in the ballot box provided for this purpose between 1–30 and 2–30 p.m. on the 15th when the counting of the votes will commence."

VIII

FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR 1928–29.

* The hon. Mr. T. E. MOIR :—" I move

> ' *that in accordance with resolution No. 17 passed at the meeting of the Council on 1st April 1921 regarding the constitution of a Finance Committee this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the hon. the President to elect six persons to be members of the Finance Committee for the year 1928–29.*'

" In moving this I would merely say that the same considerations which apply to the Public Accounts Committee apply in this case also."

The hon. Khan Bahadur MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" I second it."

The question was put and adopted.

3–45 p.m. * The hon. the PRESIDENT.—" I fix 2 p.m. to-morrow as the time by which nominations for election to the Committee should be sent to the Secretary. The election will be according to the method of single transferable vote."

IX

ELECTION OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE MADRAS AND SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY COMPANY (LIMITED).

* The hon. Mr. T. E. MOIR :—" Mr. President, I move

> ' *that with reference to G.O. No. 55, Railway, dated 10th December 1923, this Council do recommend to the Government to communicate to the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company, the names of two persons elected by this Council in accordance with the agreements made in that behalf by the hon. the President to sit on the Advisory Committee of the said Railway after the 31st March 1928, when the term of office of the present members of the Committee will expire.*'